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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT

Serial Nos. 1 - 9

Part B for Nov. 20

SUBJECT.

Transfer of Sir K. Shahadri Iyer Memorial Property to Govt Control.

9. To The Comptroller, Chief Engr, Secy Ed A. & Hon'y Secy, Sir K Sesh. Mem'l Committee —

No 9 9179-82-98.11.20

Accepting the transfer to Govt Control of the above Mem'l property on the terms proposed -

WD 2233—GPB—20,000—14.6.20.

Issued Sn Rangan

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

(G. St.)

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File No. 209-

FILE HEADING.

Management of the Seshadri Memorial Hall in the Cubbon Park, Bangalore.

From

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BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

NOTES AND ORDERS.

For previous note, vide Education File No. 31-15 & 30-31-33 & 36-38.

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WD 1232—GPB—20,000—18-11-16

Extract from the Proceedings of the 422nd Meeting of the Council of His Highness the Maharaja, held at Bangalore on the 5th July 1917.

Subject. — (Outside the Schedule.)

Management of the Seshadri Memorial Hall, Bangalore.

Opinion of the Council

A Committee of five members may be appointed to administer the property and the fund as a trust.

2. Two of the members may be nominated by the present Committee and the others by the Government.

3. If the present Committee agree to this arrangement, orders may issue. Necessary detailed rules may be formulated for the orders of Govt.

(Sd) M. Visvesvaraya
Dewan of Mysore

"EXTRACT"

Sd. D. M. Narasinga Rao
5-7-17
Secretary to Government,
General Department.

WD—156—GPB—1,000—19-7-16.

Submitted to His Highness.

4. The Educational Museum is now located in the Sheshadri Memorial Hall for which a rent of Rs. 250/- per mensem is paid by the Education dept. The Public Library is also accommodated there. In Connection with the Continuance of the Museum, an enquiry was made as to the present arrangements for the management of the Hall. The Hall is now under the Control of a Committee of which Messrs. V.P. Madhavarao and C. Srinivasa Iyengar are the President and the Secretary respectively, but the Committee has practically become functus officio and has ceased to take effective part in the management. The Committee now offers either to make over the management to the Govt. or to a Board of Trustees, two to be appointed by Government and the other three by the subscribers and has made certain suggestions regarding the future use of the Hall.

5. The matter was considered in Council who are of opinion that a Committee of five members may be appointed to administer the property and the fund as a trust, two of them being nominated by the present Committee and the rest by the Government.

6. The present Committee will be informed of the above arrangement and if they agree, necessary detailed rules will also be formulated and the future management of the Hall will be placed on a proper basis.

7. The resolution of the Council may be approved.

(Sd) M. Visvesvaraya

17th July 1917

Record of Cases submitted for the Orders of His Highness the Maharaja.

Subject.

Proposals for the future management of the Seshadri Memorial Hall.

Order.

(8) (Signed) K. R. W
20.7.17

P. Secretary
Intd M.V. 29.7.1,

10. Intd. S.M.N
31.7.1.

11. This may now be dealt with in the General Branch.
Intd. P.G.S
31.7.17

General Secy)

12 No objection
Intd. S.M.N
1.8.17

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MM 243 17.

General and Revenue Secretariat.

for File No. 209 of 1917.

Serial No.	
13.	Submitted with a draft with reference to paragraph 3 of the Subjoinstm Note Supra. Recds 14 issue 14/8/17 VS 14 issue 14/8/17
1	To The Hon: Secretary Sir Seshadri memorial Fund Bangalore No G. 1658 dt 8.8.17 States that it is proposed to appoint a committee consisting of two persons nominated by the existing committee & three others by Govt for the purpose of administering the memorial Hall & the fund as a trust & requests him to inform whether the present committee is agreeable to this arrangement. From Mr. C. Srinivasiengar letter dt 16.8.1917 With reference to the above states that an account of the absence from the Station of several of the members of the Executive Committee of the Sir Seshadri Memorial Fund, there will be some delay in answering the enquiry and adds that the matter will receive early attention. 15- The final reply promised will be awaited Recds 17/8/17 VS 18/8/17

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We must
pass up Draft
Schedule & Rules
28/12/41

Management of the
Sir Seshadri Memorial Hall
at Bangalore.

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The management of the property shall be vested in a Committee consisting of five members - 3 being nominated by the Govt & 2 by the present Committee.

2. The Committee shall appoint among themselves a Secretary & Treasurer and take charge of ~~the~~ any funds ~~of the property~~ that might be at the credit of the ~~property~~ Institute at the time it is transferred to the administration of the new Committee, as well as of the building & its appurtenances, and in which the fact to Govt.

3. The Committee shall with the approval of the Govt allow the use of the building in such manner as it deems fit. But the ordinary hall should not be used for other than public purposes.

Any fund that might be

4. ~~The fund~~ at the credit

of the memorial Property shall be deposited in such Bank as the Committee may determine in the name of the Treasurer for the time being, And an annual Statement of receipts & disbursements and a balance Sheet should be submitted to Govt by the Committee as soon as possible after the close of Each Calendar Year.

The Committee should make recommendations to Govt as to the manner in which the memorial funds can be best utilized and give effect to them as after they have been approved by Govt. ~~the Govt have accepted them~~

The Committee shall have power to incur expenditure on the property to the extent of

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From the Hony: Secretary Sir Sankaran Fr Memorial Fund
Letter dt 6.9.1917
With enclosure in original

Forwards a Copy of the Proceedings of the Sub-Committee meeting of the Executive Committee held on the 2nd August 1917 wherein it has been resolved that the Govt may be requested to undertake the maintenance of the Memorial Hall with its surroundings and also to accept the Conditions of transfer already Communicated to Govt and that the present Committee is prepared to transfer the property to the new Committee as proposed by Govt, if the above Conditions Commend themselves to Govt.

(b) Subtd with reference to paragraph 6 supra

Madras
11.9.17

P.W.D

× Vide Proceedings of the Committee dt 20.8.17 filed herewith

NOTE—Contn. sheet.

Financial Secretariat,
Lakshmipur,
Camp Mysore, 22nd April 1918.

My dear Sir,

You are aware how the development of the Public Library, Bangalore, is hampered for want of additional accommodation. A protracted correspondence was going on about the transfer of the Seshadri Memorial Building to a new Board. I have now arranged with Mr. C.Srinivasa Iyengar, retired Member of Council and Secretary to the Memorial Funds Committee, to expedite the matter. The Committee will not now insist on the Bangalore Club --- occupying a part of the building. If the attached draft is approved we may get the matter quickly settled. The draft contains no new points except the nomination of the Government member of the Trust Board and it is for your approval of the three officers selected to be ex-officio members that the draft is submitted to you.

Yours sincerely,

Sir M. Visvesvaraya, B.A., K.C.I.E., etc.

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT,

Dated, Camp Mysore, the April 1918.

From

P. G. D'Souza, Esq., B.A., B.L.,

Secretary to Government,

Educational & Agricultural Departments,

To

Rajamantrapravina Diwan Bahadur
C. Srinivasa Iyengar, Esq., B.A.,

Honorary Secretary of Seshadri Memorial Fund,

BANGALORE.

S i r,

With reference to your letter dated 5th September 1917, I have the honour to request that arrangements may kindly be made as early as convenient to your Committee to formally transfer the Seshadri Memorial Building to a Board consisting of five trustees, three to be appointed by Government and two to be appointed by the subscribers as represented by your Committee. The members appointed by Government are:

1. The Inspector-General of Education in Mysore,
2. The Chief Secretary to Government, and
3. The Secretary, Education Committee,

all ex-officio. I am to request that two members may be appointed by your Committee as early as practicable, and the transfer effected to the new Board before the 15th May 1918, if possible.

2. Government are pleased to agree to the following conditions regarding the management of the Memorial Building:-

(a) The building should always be used for public purposes; for the present the whole building will be used for the the purposes of the Bangalore Public Library including the -- Juvenile and the Ladies sections and the department of lectures.

(b) The Bangalore Club will vacate the building at their convenience before the 30th June 1918.

(c) Government will maintain the hall in fit condition and will further improve and equip it for the purposes of -- Library.

(d) The old Committee shall be fuctious officio from the date on which effect is given to this arrangement.

(e) The cash balance remaining with the Committee will be transferred to the Bangalore Public Library Committee for the purchase of books on History, Economics, Politics, and -- other subjects.

3. I am to point out that except as regards the continuance of the Bangalore Club, these conditions are identical with those laid down by your Committee at its meeting of the 20th February 1917 and confirmed at their meeting of the 24th August 1917. The proceedings of the last meeting were communicated to Government with your letter of 5th September 1917 referred to in the opening paragraph.

4. The Committee will feel obliged if you will kindly expedite the matter so that the work in connection with development of the Public Library, Bangalore, which is practically at a standstill for want of additional accommodation, may be pushed on.

I have the honour to be,

S i r,

Your most obedient servant,

22.4.18

Secretary to Government,
Edn.& Agl. Departments.

L.M.

REPLY.

(To be written on this margin.)

Office of the Dewan of Mysore.

NOTE.

Dated 30th April *191*8.

(17) D. O. letter dated 22nd April 1918, from Mr.J.S.Chakravarti, in the matter of the transfer of the Sheshadri Memorial Building to a new Board and connected arrangements.

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(18) Forwarded to the Secretary, E & A.

(19) The proposals require consideration and may be circulated and brought up at a meeting early.

(20) Besides the names of the gentlemen, mentioned in the Financial Secretary's draft letter, I think it desirable that one or two non-official gentlemen should be associated with the - - management.

30-4-18

The Secretary,
E & A.

(21) To Ch Secy
1/5/18

(22) Circulate
1/5/18

(Informal)

early
(For Disposal at an/ Meeting)

No. C. 650

4/5/1918

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

COUNCIL MATTER.

SUBJECT.

Proposals for the transfer of the Sheshadri Memorial Building to a new Board and connected arrangements.

CIRCULATED TO THE MEMBERS OF COUNCIL.

By Order,

C Balasundaram
Chief *Secretary to Government.*

2nd May 1918.

Extraordinary Member of Council. 11.5.

3995/8.5 **First Member of Council.** 7/5

96/4.5.18 **Second Member of Council.** 4/5

WD 2670—GPB—1,000—11-5-17

Informal.

Subject.-

Proposals for the transfer of the Sheshadri Memorial Building to a new Board and connected arrangements.

Opinion of the Council.

Note.

(25) The Mun^{t}. may be asked to take over the maintenance of the Building on the terms accepted by the Committee - The Honble Resident may be asked to place the matter before Council, report to Govt. within 3 weeks

(26) N. of V for action/-.

Copy
3/6/18
Ag S/6/18

(27) Draft subtd
Recd
6/6/18
(Schuyler)

Case worker
Ag 10/6/18

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(29) Revised draft Subtd as personally directed
Keeto
13/6/18

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(Chatterjee)

(30) Vide margin.

(31) It is very desirable to add that Govt may transfer the management of the building to some other body in future if considered necessary in the interests of the public.

(32) Returned to Secy (Edn) with compliments.

(33) Please retype the draft as revised.

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Serial No.

(34) Typed draft Subtd
Kelcee 4/7/18
Chupley) 4/7/18

(35) Draft maybe approved
(1st member) 5/7/18

4935/8.7

(36) copy sent 8/7

(37) Issue 8/7/18 4/7/18

3. The President,
Bangalore City ml: cl:
q. 5336 of 11.7.18
Enquires whether Bangalore City ml: cl: will take over the maintenance of the Building on certain Conditions.

4. From
The President Bangalore city ml: council
Letter no 69 of 18.9.1918
Forwards a copy of the resolution of the city ml: council in the matter of the management of the

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Sethadri memorial Hall and states that the Council are willing to take up the management of the Hall and its maintenance, only if the present Committee are willing to place the building and the entire cash balance at their disposal meanwhile.

(38) The municipal Council agrees to use the hall for no other than bona fide public purposes and to let the Public Library being located therein until a separate building is erected for the purpose.

(39) Submitted for orders with reference to the Council's resolution (para 25 above).

(40) The conditions that were proposed to the Council were five:- the four conditions shown in Para 2 of the letter dated 11. 7. 18 and the fifth mentioned in Para 3 to the effect that Govt should be at liberty at their discretion to transfer the management from the Municipality to some other body in future whenever need.

(41) The Municipal Council has agree to the first four conditions and apparently cannot accept the fifth condition.

(42) They also seem to take it as

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as a transaction between the old Co^ee and themselves. This is incorrect. The Old Committee have come to an agreement with Govt and it is Govt that are now trying to come to an arrangement with the Municipality. This is the more necessary on this point in view of the future control of the property by the Government. This also was the course adopted in regard to the Rayachoty Memorial Hall

(43) The Municipal Council may therefore be told that it is a transaction between Govt and the Municipality, and that it is considered desirable for Govt to have the option of making other arrangements when nec^y in future for the administration of the property and asked whether they have any objection to agree to these terms.

RW 23/9

Chief Secy).

44) One of the suggestions of the Rode Committee is that the cash balance at the disposal of the Committee should be used partly for the construction of certain

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outhouses - necessary for the use of the buildings - the balance being used for the purchase of books on Political Economy &c for the Public Library.

The Municipality on the other hand want this money to be made over with unconditional

A | I think this cannot be agreed to.

(45) Government again feel "should have

B | a contingent right to ~~use~~ transfer the building to other hands if necessary

(45) If these two points are decided further action may be taken.

Bangalore
Theo' Forrest
Secy

18/X

92/29/11

(46) I agree with Ch. Secy as regards A & B.

2) The development of the Public Library Bangalore is very much retarded by this question not being settled - I would earnestly request Govt to approve the draft put up by me so long ago as April 1918 after settling all points with the Mem. Hall committee.

(48) Draft order to be revised - as now put please take necessary action. 20.11

(47) I agree - may be carried in Council unless I am shown otherwise.

20/11/18

(49)

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2793 26.11.18

Yes

Devereux 20/11/18

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(50) Draft Sulv as directed

(51) Please make a clean copy as revised
Early.
MC 2/12/18

MC 3/12.

(52) Typed copy is herewith Sulv
MC 3/12/18

(53) Draft cover according to instructions put up.
MC 4/12/18

Chief Secretary

(54) With Compliments to Secy Govt of
favour of suggestions, if any.
MC 5/12/18

Secy
MC 5/12

(55) Vide certain pencilled addns in pencil. It is not necessary to commit ourselves that the Library will be always under the Edn Committee. I am of opinion that the Edn Museum Library at least the former should be incorporated in it and the two may be together.
MC 5/12

(56) Secy
with compliments
MC 5/12.

(57) I do not think it necessary to treat the Edn. museum should be to

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in this building. The Public Library should have the first claim on the building & it will want all the room available.

(58) Draft order as revised may be approved.

2nd November / Dewan

31/12/18

Trans

Yes

(59) The Public Library and the Edward Museum are two distinct Public Institutions managed by Municipal Committees & their rules in Municipal Code. The two institutions cannot be amalgamated. Besides the Museum has two Assistants Curator & Assistant Curator specifications will be needed for their management. The draft order is approved subject to the alteration of date from 1st to 2nd Vaishaka for the Committee meetings.

(60) As the rules framed for this management will fall, no provision is made for filling up the vacancies that may be created by death & resignation of the members appointed by the Municipal Committee. The draft may be adopted.

3.1.19

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CBD 560

C/- kept in file

BS Basavanpadi 6/1/19 5/1/19

(61) Dear Mr Balasundaram Esq.

Please make out the necessary Memorandum and submit for discussion with the Committee. The Committee should in the meantime get in touch with the Building & Municipal Engineer.

(62) The file is resubmitted as ordered personally instructed a few days ago.

Temple Member).

(63) I submit a proforma draft as

3708
18.3.19

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Acknowledge receipt of letter.
Please submit the papers
connected with the case
when received.

Yours
Secretary

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the power for exercising Communications [illegible] Sivakasi Municipality should be transferred to the management & complete control resting should vest. The proposal practically amounts to restoring the position in the past, the Commissioner exercising functions similar. It is doubtful whether the Commissioner can depend upon his powers and Constables and hunters. The Municipality will have to do some under the orders of the Magistrate. The post Advocate may be consulted in this important point of Law.

14/3

(64) Necessary for adv.

9/3/19

(65) Forwarded w. with complaints to the Govt Advocate for favour of remarks — By. M. Venkatasubbayya Torchlight 20.3.19

DO. No 1179 MARY NO: 20.3.19

(66) From the materials available in the file I am not in a position to find out who brought the present Managing Committee of the Serkadi Memorial Fund

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fund into Existence and what is the Exact Scope of its authority. If it is the Government that appointed it - there would be no difficulty for the Government in the matter of making any modifications in the Constitution of the Committee. If it is not the Govt, then - the question becomes a little complicated.

(67) The present Committee has, of course, power to manage the Endowment; but in the absence of any express authority I am afraid it has no power to transfer it & vest the property in any other body.

(68) If the present Committee is not working satisfactorily - the body that appointed it - has either to appoint a fresh Committee & to transfer the fund & trust for management to the Govt & vest the property in them.

(69) But if such a course is either impossible or impracticable, then the only other alternative is to take proceedings before the District Court of Bangalore, under Section

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92 of the Code of Civil Procedure. Under the provisions of this section the Dy. Comm[r] Bangalore desires a such other as the Govt may be pleased to appoint in this behalf or 2 or more persons having an interest in the trust, after obtaining the permission of the Dy Comr, may institute a suit for any of the purposes detailed in that section.

[illegible]
Govt Advocate
24-4-19.

70) The Committee of the Memorial may ~~perhaps~~ be requested to send a copy of the resolution or the other proceeding by which they were constituted — if appd

Rec 29/4

Chr (Secy)

71) Transfer members

4474 2.5.19

72) Yes. Chr 67/5-

Copy 1/5- Rec 2/5

73) Mean while any of 7/5

74) A draft of the proposed Writ of Injunction will issue if appd. I have asked for the opening speech of HH the Maharaja and Hardinge's speech also. They may be helpful in deciding the case-

Rec 7/5-

75) Issue ord 10/5 Rec 10/5 Chr (Secy)

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5	To The Hon: Secretary, Sir Sheshadri Iyer's Memorial Fund Committee G. 25714 dt 14. 5. 1919 Requests that a copy of the resolution or other proceedings if any of the Subscribers to the fund by which The Committee was ~~Committed~~ Constituted may be forwarded early together with a copy of the Speech of H. H. The Maharaja of His Excellency Lord Hardinge's Speech in unveiling the Statue.
6.	From the Same Officer dated dt 23/5/1919. Forwards a copy of a memo containing some extracts and the address presented to H.E. Lord Hardinge & the reply thereto. To Issue the orders will be drafted as per Chief Secy's order on the P.U.D. - 23/5. [illegible] " Issue d/f + put up To the Hony: Secy: Sheshadri Iyer Memorial Committee G. 26953 dt 30. 5. 1919. Acknowledges with thanks the receipt of enclosures, refd: to in Sl 6.

CHIEF SECRETARIAT. IV MIN'OR Depts: 15 MAY 1919

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Subd.

2/6/19. It does not appear from the copies of proceedings sent of the Sec'y of the Mem'l Coll that the Co'n have power to vest the property in any other body or in Govt.

79) The Govt Advocate may again be consulted. Chl Secy

80) Yes. I shall be glad to discuss the matter with the Govt advocate after he has seen the papers.

C.S.K.
15/6/19

81) Forwarded to the Govt. Advocate with compliments.

By order
A.M. Hebbelwhite
17-6-19 for Chief Secy

82) On perusing the Extracts from proceedings of the Public meeting held in connection with the Opening of the Hall & the other papers since received, I find that the Executive Committee was brought into Existence

No. 149.

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Ch. Secy
6 SEP 1919

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5/9/1919

mrd 6/9/19
& 3 Cmi

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Existence only for the management of the Hall, as such the Committee has no power to vest the property in Government. But as the affairs of the Institution are not being properly managed and as there is no provision for filling up vacancies among the members of the Committee and as, on this account the Committee originally appointed cannot act, and as the Public that appointed the Committee do not seem to interest themselves in the matter, I believe Government have every right to step in and see that the Institution is properly managed in the interests of the Public.

83) What Government really propose to do is to manage the Institution properly or to make adequate arrangements for the purpose, and this is nothing more than the authority vested in the Executive Committee itself. The Committee also, in handing over the management of the Institution

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Institution to Government, will not be acting in excess of their authority as such transfer of management is in the best interests of the Hall:

[illegible] agree?
Lord adv. ack
5/9/19

84) Endr. with the draft already put up.
6/9. [illegible]

CHIEF SECRETARIAT.
IV
MINOR Depts.
6 SEP 1919

Are the Commissioners of the Conference still called Commrs? Please put up.
[illegible]
10/9

Under the new scheme comes into force from Jany 1920. (vide 80. post ub).
Key A.

85) Draft in file may be approved
[illegible]
10/9/19
Ch Secy)

86) Please put up a revised typed copy & submit to 2nd. member.
[illegible]
24/9

Tidy draft submitted.
27/9

87) Subd with a clean draft
[illegible]
27/9

Secd Member).

1650
28-9-19

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88	I would like to discuss this matter personally with the Govt. Advocate. He may be requested to see me in this connection on any working day between 10 A.M. & 1 P.M. Necessary orders should be passed. Fin 23/10/19
89	Done Fin 23/10/19
90	Draft submitted. 23/10/19
91	Done Fin 28/10/19
92	Reply from the Govt Advocate submitted for personal orders Fin 4/11
93	Secd Member. It is understood that the Member has talked the matter over with the Govt Advocate. File is resubmitted for orders Fin 5/11
94	Secd Member. The Govt Advocate thinks that it is safer to take this matter

20/10
5-11-19

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The Civil Court and home for Scheme of Management drafted by him and also his decision which may be challenged by him ~~District Court~~ Correspondence and ~~should be~~ will be needed not yet available.

It is also to be noted that his deposit of Library is not under his management yet. For communication with Mr. has sent him letter from the Edn. Comm. dept. and his Public Library Bungalow is directly under his control yet.

96 - A Scheme for management in his hands yet. Council Resolution 5th July 1917. may be prepared & submitted. but matter will have to spend time as it entails his appearance yet about ten.

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Ass Dy Com
97 - for early attention

7/11/17

by copy

~~By Passport up to~~

P.T.O.)

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The following suggestions are made for carrying out the Council resolution of 5th February referred to in the Member's order above:—

(1) The Old Committee may be informed of the conditions now accepted and asked to nominate two persons to act on the Board of five members to be newly constituted for the management of the Hall.

(2) Meanwhile the three members whom Govt will appoint to the Committee may be resolved upon. The following Official and non-official gentlemen have been proposed in the file:

The D.P.I. Education
The Chief Secretary
The Secretary to Govt.
Mr. C. Duraswamy Iyer
" V. Srinivasa Iyengar
" P.S.K. Sivaswamy Iyer
" M. Krishna Rao

(3) The new Committee when constituted may apply to the Civil Court for being given the control of the property subject to the control of Government.

(4) Detailed rules may be framed by the Committee and submitted for the approval of the Government for administering the property.

Please bring it in person with rules

14/11/17

(Ch Secy)

13/11

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The Chief Secretary wanted a draft scheme to be prepared in consultation with the Govt Advocate which could be placed before the Civil Court by the D.C. B'lore under Sec 92 C.P.C.

(100) I tried to meet the Govt Advocate but on account of other work & the inconvenience of one or the other [illegible] the draft could not be prepared.

(101) I have however discussed the matter with the Govt Advocate and he said he would prepare a draft if I met him again, for approval by the Member.

(102) In submitting the matter to the second Member on the 3rd instant I understood that the objection by the Bangalore Club to vacate the premises might be on the score of the body which asks them to vacate being different from the one which rented them to the Club and the authority of the former not being properly derived. But it is submitted for consideration that the Club holds the premises in lease from the Edn Deptt who have sublet part of the building to them. So, if the Edn Deptt want the Club to vacate, they should

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(Vide Dy's letter 7/22/28/7/16 S.33 in Edn File 31 of 15 linked herein. Also S.30 in the same file)

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do so, of course on reasonable notice, unless there is anything to the contrary (and this is not likely) in the agreement between the Dept. and the Club.

(103) If considered from this point of view perhaps there will be no need to refer the matter to the Civil Court.

(104) If however such reference be considered necessary may the file be sent up to the Govt Advocate for favour of putting up a draft scheme as ordered in para 96 above?

Chd Secy)

(105) Sub° to 2nd member with refce to para 102 supra.

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26.1.20

(106) Why not. As proposed in the Muzrai Regulation by adding this as a charitable institution. I would like the favour of this opinion of the Chief Secretary.

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Attorney Proctor.

(107) Pl a note as to whether the Sethadri memorial can be described as a "Charitable institution" in legal phraseology.

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Pl see pl. 3 of the Muzrai Regn 29/1/20 Please put up Muzrai Regn.

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108) Charity in its widest sense, denotes all the good affections men ought to feel towards each other; in its more restricted & common sense, relig to the poor. In English Law it means a general public use. Under American law, it seems to include everything which proceeds from a sense of moral duty, or kindness, or humanity, for the relig or comfort of another, and without any regard to one's own benefit or pleasure.

109) The essential characteristic of a charitable bequest is that it must be for the benefit of the public or mankind. In this respect there is no distinction between the English and the American view of the subject."

110) I think the Sarkari Memorial "may be treated as a "Charitable Institution

D.M. 16/2

Chief Secy

Discussed with the G. Adv. as indicated D.M. 19/2

111) Forwarded U.O. with Compliments to the Govt Advocate for favour of opinion whether Govt may not take over the management of the Institution

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under s. 3 and appoint a Committee under s. 17 of the Mysore Muzrai Regulation (VI of 1913).

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Mahadevappa
Dy Chief Secy to Govt
21/2/20.

(112) The institution in question answers to the description of a Charitable Trust referred to in section 3 of the Muzrai Regulation.

(113) The word "Charity" has been construed very liberally and any institution which has for its object "the advancement of objects of public utility" which is erected for the general benefit of the inhabitants of a parish" has been held to be a charitable institution.

(114) The Memorial Hall is therefore a Charitable Trust and there does not appear to be any objection to the management of the institution being undertaken by the Government, provided that the conditions laid down in

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in section 3 are satisfied.

(b) In the case under reference I am not sure if the surviving members of the Managing Committee can properly be called trustees; but they are, in my opinion, "persons in actual possession and management of the institution", within the meaning of condition 4 of section 3.

(c) If therefore all the members of the Committee voluntarily transfer the management to Government, the latter may assume the same and proceed to appoint a Committee and frame rules etc under section 17 of the Regulation.

H Shambhucharan
Govt advocate
3/3/20.

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117) Submitted with reference to paragraph (107) above

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(Chief Secy.)

6.3.20

3rd member

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16.3.20

118) The Viceroy's Private Secretary has stated that the Cenotaph Memorial Hall is a Memorial entirely distinct, but cannot be objected to by them may be used - Public Offices.

119) Where is a residence? The Commissioner appointed by Government, but there is a condition attached to it that the present occupier should be allowed to continue until it secures another building. He cannot take possession of the property when Government or anyone else wants the whole of the house for their purposes — Cenotaph Hall Committee might be asked to vacate the Commissioner.

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W. Vincent

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120) A draft letter as per orders above is Subd. For approval

Illegible 26.3.20 (Chief Secy) 29/3/20.

121) Issue

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The Hony: Secy: Sir K Sreedhara Iyers Memorial Fund Committee

G. 24 112 27 22.4.20.

Requests the Committee to intimate whether they can waive the Condition regarding the Bangalore Club in Connection with Govt taking over Control of the memorial properties.

8. From The Hony. Secy, Sir K S Committee Agreeing to waive the Condition referred to regarding issue of early orders

122) Chief Secretary's order thereon:- "Asstt Secy. to D.- Please put up with the file a draft order taking over management &c."

Sd C S B

26:7:20

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123) A draft order is subd.

124) The formation of a fresh Committee for the future management of the Town Hall was the original idea. But as long as the Public Library continues to be located therein & Govt looks after the building as per desire of the present Committee & there will be no fresh receipts to be to administer & therefore no work for a fresh Committee. The question of forming a fresh Committee is therefore omitted from the draft proposed.

125) Subd. A statt. of receipts & expenditure upto-date may probably be obtained from the memorial Committee & filed for future ref

31.7.20. 2/8/20

126) Draft may be approved.

127) It would perhaps be useful to call for a statement of receipts & expenditure as proposed.

Chief Secy) The Secretary, S & A. might perhaps be consulted re draft put up. 2/8/20.

128) Secy Exist for remarks.

Please submit to Secy after his return 10/8.

129) It is presumed that no

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rent will be charged for the use of the building for the Public Library and that it will be given free. It is proposed to utilize a part of the amount received from the Education Dept in buying books. This is desirable as the Library is very much in need of an addition of books. The draft rules seems suitable. We have to take proper care that the Committee is really representative and efficient and that there is a proper understanding regarding the maintenance and the upkeep of the building.

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18/8/20

Chatterji
Secretary

Rec'd. 21/8.

Read 21/8

130) If as proposed in the draft the building is maintained by the P.W. there would be no need to charge any specific rent for the use of the building by the Public Library.

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The expenditure on sanitary arrangements, lighting &c will have to be borne by the Public Library.

3rd number.

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23/8/20

131) The 'Hall' will be treated as any other public building and I do not see any reason why its control should be vested in the Public Library Committee. It creates an impression that the Govt cannot alter the use of the building at their discretion and that the Library have any other place. The building will be in charge of the PWD just as any other Govt building.

132) As regards the expenditure on Sanitary arrangements & the subscription & are now included in the Govt. If any other charges will have to be borne by the Library a detailed estimate of the annual expenditure of the Library should be prepared & need not find a place in the draft budget.

133) The question of the use of the building other than Govt may be considered in Council with the approval of the Viceroy. The matter has been before the

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Council Secretariat Memo No. 4/9 dated 7/9/20 has been passed. Submitted

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(3) File may be circulated.

10.9.20

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C. 3. Circulate.

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(For Disposal at a Meeting) No. C. 1

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Council Matter.

SUBJECT.

(Clause xii of the Schedule.)

draft order
~~Question of~~ transferring to Government the control over the Sir Seshadri Memorial buildings and funds.

CIRCULATED TO THE MEMBERS OF COUNCIL.

By Order,

13th September 19.20. for *Chief Secretary to Government.*

Extraordinary Member of Council.

First Member of Council.

Second Member of Council. Seen.

Third Member of Council. Seen.

Extract from the Proceedings of the ... *Meeting of the Council of His Highness the Maharaja, held at Bangalore on the* ... *19* ...

9. Subject. - Clause xii of the schedule.

Draft order transferring to Government the control over the Sir Seshadri Memorial buildings and funds.

Opinion of the Council.

136) The memorial and funds connected therewith may be taken over to Government management under the Muzrai Regulation on the terms proposed by the Committee.

(Signed) M. Kantaraj Urs,
Dewan of Mysore

"EXTRACT"

Chief Secretary to Government.

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137	Extract from connected prop. put up. To the Asst. Secy. in D Branch for Disp.

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138) L. S. N. put up with revised draft as per orders for approval.
20-9-20
T. K. Ally Chief Secy)

8/10/20.

Dewan)

12/10/20

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Submitted to His Highness.

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In February 1917, the Sir K. Seshadri Iyer Memorial Committee offered to make over under certain conditions the management of the Memorial Hall and fund to the Government or to a Board of Trustees. The Council who considered the question at their meeting held on the 5th July 1917 were of opinion that a Committee of five members might be appoint-ed to administer the fund and property as a trust, two of them being nominated by the Memorial Committee and the other three by Government and this Resolution of the Council was approved by His Highness on the 20th July 1917.

140) 2. On the Memorial Committee agreeing to the constitution of a Board of Trustees as above, the question of vesting the management in the Bangalore City Municipality was considered but had to be dropped as the Municipality wanted an unconditional transfer of the fund which could not be agreed to.

141) 3. In working out the details of the transfer, doubts were raised as to the power of the Memorial Committee to effect the transfer in question and on a full consideration of various aspects, it was decided that the transfer should, in order that it might be on a sound legal basis, be effected as in the case of a charitable endowment under Section 3 of the Muzrai Regulation.

142) 4. But as one of the terms of the offer viz., that a private body like the Bangalore Club should continue to tenant the Memorial Hall for an indefinite period even after the transfer, stood in the way of Government accepting the transfer as above, the Memorial Committee, was addresse

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addressed to state whether they would be willing to waive the condition in respect of the Bangalore Club. The Committee have agreed to waive this condition and have issued notice to the Bangalore Club to vacate by the 30th September 1920.

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143) 5. The whole question was again considered by the Council at their meeting held on 23rd September 1920 and it was resolved that the Memorial and fund connected therewith might be taken over to Government management under the Muzrai Regulation on the terms proposed by the Committee.

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144) 6. A draft Government Order accepting the offer of transfer is submitted for the gracious approval of - - His Highness.

Draft for approval

Venkatachar Esq

16 Oct 1920

Record of Cases submitted for the Orders of His Highness the Maharaja

Subject.

Transfer of the Sir K. Seshadri Iyer Memorial Hall and fund to Government management.

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Order.

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31. All urgent or confidential files returned with His Highness' orders may, in the absence of instructions or indications to the contrary, be ordinarily circulated to the Members of Council for perusal after the issue of orders.

33. The Secretaries concerned should see that orders in the cases referred to above are issued at once and that the files are returned immediately after to the Chief Secretary for circulation to the Members.

34. In all other cases, the files will first be circulated to the Members of Council at headquarters and then sent to the Secretariat concerned for the issue of orders.

Circulated to the Members of Council for perusal of His Highness' orders $\frac{\text{before}}{\text{after}}$ issue of orders. (*Vide* Rules 31, 33 and 34 of the Subsidiary Rules for the conduct of business of Council in the Manual of Council Rules and Procedure.)

C Balasundaram
Chief Secretary to Govt.

Through the Secretary to Government,
.....Department.

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23/10/20.

FIRST MEMBER OF COUNCIL

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22.10.20

SECOND MEMBER OF COUNCIL Seen
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THIRD MEMBER OF COUNCIL. 27/10/20

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9	To The Comptroller to Govt: " Chief Engineer " Legy E & A. " Hony: Secy Sir K. S. Iyer Memorial Committee G. 7179-82 of 8. 11. 17 Accepts the trust to Govt: Control the Sir K. Sheshadri Iyer memorial fund & property.

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Proceedings of a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Sheshadri Iyer Memorial Fund, held in the Sheshadri Memorial Hall, Bangalore, on the morning of Tuesday the 20th February 1917.

P r e s e n t.

Mr. V. P. Madhava Rao, C.I.E., President (in the chair)
" Rajamantra Pravina H.V.Nanjundia, C.I.E., Member
" V. H. Harve .. do
" Rajamantra Pravina Dewan Bahadur C.Srinivasiengar "
Member and Honorary Secretary

Note. Sir M. Visvesvaraya, K.C.I.E., and Mr. T. Ananda Rao, C.I.E., wrote to the Secretary sympathizing with the object of the meeting but regretting their inability to attend it.

1. The Honorary Secretary made a brief statement regarding the present financial position of the Fund. After paying for the several additions and improvements including electric installation carried out since the date of the last meeting from funds contributed chiefly by the Education Department whose museum is located in the Hall, there remains partly in the Government Savings Bank, Bangalore, and partly in the Bank of Mysore, Limited, Bangalore, a sum of Rs.9215-15-5 which, with Rs.1-11-2 in the hands of the Secretary and Rupees three thousand due by the Education Department upto 31st May 1917, aggregates a credit balance of Rs.12217-8-7 in regard to the disposal of which in a befitting manner arrangements have now to be made.

2. Read the following among other papers:-

(1) D.O. No.969 dated 10th January 1917 from the

the Inspector General of Education requesting, at the instance of Government, to be furnished with information on the following points:

(1) How the rent of Rs.250 paid for the building is utilized by the Trustees, if any?

(2) What control can Government exercise over the Hall and its management?

(2) Resolution No.4 passed at a meeting of the Committee held on the 19th April 1914 that "the question of the replacement of the Executive Committee by a Board of Trustees be brought up for consideration at the next meeting."

(3) The Proceedings of the Public Meeting held on the 17th August 1903 under the patronage of Sir P.N.Krishna Murti K.C.I.E., Dewan and the Hon'ble Col. Sir Donald Robertson K.C.S.I., Resident, at which after full discussion it was resolved that the memorial should take the form of a Public Hall with a statue and a Library.

(4) The Committee's address to His Excellency Lord Hardinge on the occasion of the unveiling of Sir Sheshadri Iyer's Statue, in which it was stated inter alia that "a spacious Hall has been completed and a statue erected in front of it -- a suitable Library will, it is hoped, soon materialize!"

(5) Sir Donald Robertson's letter to the Honorary Secretary dated 4th January 1914 expressing, with reference to the above extract from the address, his earnest hope that "something beyond the expression of pious hopes may be undertaken in order to fully carry out the purpose of the building behind the statue (i.e. location of a Library)."

(6) Letter No.1335 dated 21st April 1914 from the Secretary, Education Committee of the Economic Conference "acknowledging with thanks the Honorary Secretary's letter stating that the Executive Committee have agreed to the location of the proposed Central Library for Bangalore at the Sheshadri Iyer Memorial Hall, Cubbon Park, Bangalore."

(Note:- The Honorary Secretary here referred to certain items of work specially carried out in order to adapt the building to the requirements of a Public Library.)

3. Resolved as follows:-

(1). That the Committee's operations be closed and that, subject to the conditions specified below, the Hall, statue etc with the surplus at the credit of the Fund be transferred to Government, should such an arrangement be acceptable to them (Government) or in the alternative to a Trust Board on which both the Government and the Committee shall be represented:

C o n d i t i ons

(a) The Hall should always be used for public purposes;

(b) The splendid Library organized by the liberality of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja and located in the Hall from the commencement, shall continue with the gracious consent of the Government to be permanently housed therein, the suitability both of the locality and of the building being amply attested by the phenominal popularity of the institution and by the very large number of subscribers on its books; to say nothing of the hundreds of students (non-subscribers) who freely resort to it and find it an *

(c) Of the amount remaining on hand, Rupees two to three thousand shall be utilized for the construction of certain necessary outhouses and a couple of tennis courts and the balance of Rupees 9 to 10 thousand for the purchase of books for the Public Library on History, Economics and Politics, this latter being one of the chief forms which the memorial was intended to take;

(d) The Bangalore Club which is the first institution of its kind in Bangalore and which, considering the extent to

* inestimable boon. The new road from The Cantonment to The Cubbon Park has considerably abridged the distance so that The Hall is now only a few minutes walk from The Pete as well as from our High Schools and College.

to which it is appreciated and the useful purpose it has long been serving, deserves every encouragement, shall be kindly allowed to continue to occupy a portion of the building on the same terms as heretofore until it should find itself in a position to secure a separate suitable habitation of its own, the outhouses and tennis courts attached to the Hall being likewise used by it to the extent necessary, an arrangement which will in no way be prejudicial or inconvenient to the Library for which, apart from the space in the occupation of the club, there is abundant accommodation;

(e) The possession, management and control of the memorial property (Hall etc) shall vest in the Government if this should commend itself to the latter or in a Board consisting of 5 Trustees of whom two will be nominated by Government and three by the subscribers as represented by the present committee, rules regulating future succession and details connected with the carrying out of this part of the Resolution being determined with the approval of Government.

(2) That the Committee shall be ~~deemed dissolved and non existent~~ functions Officio from the date on which effect is given to the above resolution.

(3) That the Committee's grateful acknowledgments be respectfully tendered to His Highness the Maharaja and His Government for substantial financial assistance generously given and for other valuable help, sympathy and guidance readily accorded.

C Sreenivasiengar - Honorary Secretary.

(Signed) V.P.Madhava Rao,
President.

GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT

No. G.1668
G.Sn.209-17-1

Bangalore, Dated 7th August 1917

From

D. M. NARASINGA RAO, Esq., B.A., B.L.,

Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,

General Department.

To

Rajamantra Pravina Dewan Bahadur

C.Srinivasa Iyengar, Esquire,

Honorary Secretary, Sir Seshadri Memorial Fund,

Bangalore.

SIR,

I am directed to invite your reference to the proceedings of the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Sir Seshadri Iyer - Memorial Fund held on the 20th February 1917 and to state that it is proposed to appoint a Committee consisting of two persons nominated by the existing Committee and three others by Government for the purpose of administering the Memorial Hall and the fund as a trust.

I am to request to be informed whether the present Committee is agreeable to this arrangement.

The favour of a very early reply is requested.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

Fair Draft.

for Secretary to Government,
General Department.

G.R.S.M—500—11-6-17
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DIARY NO. 1310

Bangalore 16th August 17

GEN. REV. SECRETARIAL 17 AUG 1917

Dear Sir Narasinga Rao,

I am in receipt of your official letter No. G 1658 dated 9th 209-17-1 the 7th instant. Allow me please to tell you that, owing to the absence from the Station of several of the members of the Executive Committee of the Sir Sheshadri Iyer Memorial Fund, I am afraid there will be some delay in answering your enquiry, which I hope Government will kindly overlook in the matter, as I receive early attention.

Yours Sincerely

B Sreenivasaraya

Sir Sheshadri Iyer Memorial Hall,
Bangalore 6th September 1917.

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From

The Honorary Secretary
Sir Sheshadri Iyer Memorial Fund,
Bangalore.

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The Secretary
to the
Government of His Highness the Maharaja
of Mysore, Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. 1658/Fin 209-1/-1 dated the 7th August 1917, I have the honour to state that the modified proposal therein contained was placed before a meeting of the Executive Committee held on the 24th August 1917 and a resolution of Agreement recorded. A Copy of the Same is herewith submitted for the information and orders of Government.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most Obedient servant,

C. Sreenivasiengar
Hon: Secretary.

Of the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Sir Sheshadri Iyer Memorial Fund held in the Sheshadri Iyer Memorial Hall on the morning of ~~the~~ Friday the 24th August 1917.

Present.

1. Rajamanthra Pravina,
   Mr H. V. Nanjundayya, M.A, M.L; C.I.E.
   (in the chair)
2. Raja Sabha Bhushana, Dewan Bahadur,
   Mr K. P. Puttanna Chetty, C.I.E.
3. Rajamanthra Pravina, Dewan Bahadur
   Mr C. Sreenivasiengar,
4. Mr V. H. Karve.

Note. Mr V. P. Madhava Rao C.I.E wrote regretting his inability to attend the meeting owing to his unavoidable absence from the Station.

Read:-

1) Letter No. G 1658/Fin. 209-17-1 dated the 7th August 1917 from the Secretary to Government, Jeneal Department, stating, with reference to the Proceedings of the meeting of the Executive Committee held on the 20th February 1917, that it is proposed to appoint a Committee consisting of two persons nominated by the Executive Committee and three others by Government for

the purpose of administering the Memorial Hall and the Fund as a Trust and requesting to be informed whether the present Committee is agreeable to this arrangement.

2) Proceedings of the Meeting of the Executive Committee held on the 20th February 1917.

Resolved as follows:-

That it is respectfully submitted that the conditions already communicated to Government be kindly accepted as conditions for the transfer of the Memorial Hall & its concerns to a Board of Trustees, that since it would appear that the Government are not prepared to take over the direct management of the Memorial, they be respectfully requested to undertake the maintenance of the building with its surroundings in consideration of the Public Library being located permanently therein free of rent and that if the conditions already communicated with the modification now suggested should, as it is hoped, commend themselves to Government & be kindly definitely accepted by them, the present Committee is prepared to dissolve itself and to transfer the property to the New Trust Board, to the constitution of which in the manner proposed, namely, two nominees by the Committee & three by Government, the Committee is agreeable.

"C/R"

Sgd. H. V. Nanjundayya.
Chairman

The President,

Bangalore City Municipal Council.

Sir,

I am directed to address you in connection with the arrangements for the -- management and maintenance of the Seshadri Memorial Hall. As you are aware, the hall was built by public subscription as a memorial to the late Sir K. Seshadri Iyer and is managed by a Committee of which Messrs. V.P.Madhava Rao and C.Srinivasiengar are the President and the Secretary respectively. The Committee now finds itself unable to take active interest in the affairs of the building and has offered to make over the management thereof to the Government or to a new Board of Trustees on certain conditions.

By 11.7.18

Sy Mr. T.E.J. Sy-

2. Government are inclined to consider that it is more appropriate that institutions of this kind should be taken charge of by local bodies rather than by Government. I am therefore to enquire if the Bangalore City Municipal Council will take over the maintenance of the building on the following terms which have been agreed to by the present Committee of -- management:-

(a) The building shall always be used for public purposes; for the present the whole building will be used for the purposes of the Bangalore Public Library including the Juvenile and the Ladies' Sections and the Department of Lectures.

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(b) The Bangalore Club will vacate the building at their convenience before a date to be fixed.

(c) The old Committee shall be functus officio from the date on which -- effect is given to this arrangement.

(d) The cash balance remaining with the Committee will be transferred to the Bangalore Public Library Committee for the purpose of books on History, Economics, Politics (and other subjects

3. If the Bangalore City Municipal Council agree to take up the management, ~~they~~ it will have to undertake the maintenance of the building. So long as the Public Library is located in the building, Government will make a suitable annual grant to the Municipal Council. If, in future, it is considered necessary in public interests to transfer the management of the building to some other body, Government will be at -- liberty to do so.

4. I am accordingly to request that the matter may kindly be placed before the City Municipal Council and a report furnished to Government within three months.

I have, etc.,

Chief Secretary to Govt.

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT,
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL,

BANGALORE CITY, DATED......13-9-.1918

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DIARY NO.........

FROM

DEWAN BAHADUR RAJA SABHA BHUSHANA
K. P. PUTTANNA CHETTY, ESQ., C.I.E.,
Honorary President, Municipal Council,
Bangalore City.

To

The Chief *Secretary to the Government of*
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~,
Bangalore.

SIR,

Adverting to your letter No. G.536/G.M.209-17-3 dated the 11th July 1918 calling for the opinion of the Municipal Council if they will take over the maintenance of the Seshadri Memorial Hall on certain terms I have the honor to state that the subject came up for discussion at the meeting of the Council held on the 7th instant. A copy of their resolution is submitted herewith.

2. The subject elicited much discussion from the members and the Council were unanimously of opinion that they would take over the management and mainteance of the building only if the present Committee was willing to place the building and the entire cash balance remaining with them at the disposal of the Council unconditionally. The Municipal Council will be glad to allow the public Library to be located in the building till a suitable structure is built for the purpose.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
K.P. Puttannachetty
Honorary President.

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From The Honorary President
Municipal Council
Bangalore City

To The Chief Secretary
to Govt of Mysore
Bangalore.

Dated 13th
Despatched 18th } September 1918

Received

General No.
No.

Enclosure No.

Submitting the resolution of the meeting of the Municipal Council held on 7th September 18 re the management of the Sesha Memorial Hall

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This may be transferred to the Chief Secretariat as it is solely to an enquiry made from that Secretariat

20/9/18. To the Chief Sec. B

Mr. Rest

No. IV.

Proceedings of an Ordinary General Meeting of the City Municipal Council, Bangalore, held in the Council Chamber, City Municipal Office on Saturday the 7th September 1918.

P r e s e n t .

Dewan Bahadur Rajasabhabhushana

K.P. Puttanna Chetty, Esq., C.I.E., Honorary President.

Mahomed Abbas Khan, Esq., Honorary Vice President.

C.V. Narasimhiengar, Esq., B.A., B.L.
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17. Chief Secretary's letter No. G.536/G.M.209-17-3 dated the 11th July 1918 calling for the views of the Municipal Council re the

the management and maintenance of the Seshadri Memorial Hall by the Municipality.

Resolution.- The Municipal Council are of opinion that the maintenance and management of the Seshadri Memorial Hall ma be taken charge of by the Municipality, if the building and the funds pertaining thereto are placed unconditionally at the disposal of the Municipal Council. The Municipal Council will be prepared to agree to use the hall for no other than bona fide public purposes and to let the Public Library be located therein until a separate building is erected.

Sd/- K.P. Puttanna Chetty,
Honorary President.

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* C O P Y *

For Hon: President.

C.R.G.

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

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P.M. 209-17-E

To

The Hon. Secy
Sir T. Iyer Mem. Fund Coe
Bore

Sir,

With reference to correspondence ending with your letter dated 6.9.17 regarding the transfer of the management of the Queen Hall to the Trustees of the Mem. Coe by Government, I am directed to request you to kindly forward for the reference of Govt. a copy of the resolution or other proceedings if any of the Subscribers to the fund by which the Mem. Fund Coe was constituted. Any record of the Speech of H.E. the Governor in opening the Hall and of His Ex. Lord Hardinge's Speech in unveiling the statue of Sir T. Iyer may also be forwarded if available.

I have &c
Sd/- Chadwick
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Sir Sheshdri Iyer Memorial Hall,

Bangalore, Dated the 23rd May 1919.

DIARY NO. 2045-8

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SECTION G.M. 209-17-6.

From

Rajamantra Pravina, Dewan Bahadur

C. Sreenivasiengar Esq.,

Honorary Secretary,

Sir Sheshdri Iyer Memorial Committee,

Bangalore.

CHIEF SECRETARIAT. IV MINOR Depts. 26 MAY 1919

To

C. S. Balasundaram Iyer Esq., B. A.,

Chief Secretary to the Government of

His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,

Bangalore.

Sir,

As requested in your letter No. G. 25714/G.M. 209-17-5 dated the 14th May 19, I have the honour to forward herewith (a) a Memo containing certain extracts and information (b) a printed copy of the Committee's Address to His Excellency Lord Hardinge & (c) a copy of His Excellency's reply to the Address.

The favour of early disposal is requested.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

C. Sreenivasiengar

Honorary Secretary.

Extracts

1. Proceedings of a preliminary meeting held at the Public offices at Bangalore on 17th September 1902 with Mr. P. N. Krishna Murthi C. I. E in the chair, the Honorable Col: Robertson C. S. I — Resident in Mysore being among the gentlemen present.

"A strong Committee Composed of Mr. Kantaraj Urs, Mr. V. P. Madhava Rao, C. I. E, Mr. C. Sreenivasiengar, Mr. A. Ramachandra Iyer, Col: J. P. Grant, Mr. Rai Bahadur A. Srinivasachariar, Mr. W. Mc Hutchin, Col: Bowen, Mr. A. Rangaswami Iyengar, Mr. Narayanadeva Mudaliyar, Haji Ismail Sait, Mr. Purnaiya & Mr. Nanjundaiya with power to add to their number, was then appointed to present the scheme to the public, to collect Subscriptions and to invite suggestions in anticipation of the General and public meeting which will be held later."

2. "The Executive Committee appointed at the preliminary meeting held its first meeting in the public offices on the 18th September 1902 with Mr. V. P. Madhava Rao in the chair, and it was resolved among other matters that "the Proceedings of the Preliminary meeting be printed and circulated and Subscriptions invited." "

3. "As previously announced, a public meeting for deciding what form the Sir K. Seshadri Iyer Memorial should take, was held at 5 P.M. on Monday 17th August 1903 in the hall of the Central College. There was a large and influential attendance, the hall being full. Sir P. N. Krishna Murthi, K.C.I.E. the Dewan of Mysore occupied the chair. Among other matters " the Honorable the Resident proposed that the present Executive Committee with the Dewan as President and Mr. Madhava Rao as Vice President and Messrs Bhabha and Karve as Secretaries do carry out the memorial; and the proposal was carried out unanimously."

4. There was no formal opening ceremony, and hence no speech by H. H. the Maharaja on the occasion.

5. At a meeting of the Executive Committee held on 16th March 1907 with Mr. V. P. Madhava Rao in the chair, it was resolved that " a Board of Trustees be appointed to manage the affairs of the Hall after the building is completed."

6. Herewith attached are copies of the Executive Committee's address to H. E. Lord Hardinge and His Excellency's reply thereto, on the occasion of the unveiling of Sir Seshadri Iyer's Statue on 20th November 1913.

To

HIS EXCELLENCY THE RIGHT HONOURABLE CHARLES BARON HARDINGE OF PENSHURST, P.C., G.C.B., G.M.S.I., G.M.I.E., G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O., I.S.O., VICEROY AND GOVERNOR-GENERAL OF INDIA.

May it please Your Excellency,

WE, the President and Members of the Executive Committee of the Sir K. Sheshadri Iyer Memorial Fund, beg leave to offer our heartfelt thanks to Your Excellency for your gracious condescension in taking part in the ceremony which this large gathering is here assembled to witness.

2. Your Excellency's illustrious predecessor, Earl Curzon of Kedleston, in his memorable speech at His Highness the Maharaja's Installation Durbar, made special reference to the remarkable career of Rajyadhurandhara Sir Sheshadri Iyer, K.C.S.I., who "for 18 years wielded an authority that was a reflex of his powerful character and abilities and that left its mark upon every branch of the administration." His Excellency, in concurrence with Their Highnesses the Maharani Regent, C.I., and the Maharaja, favoured the erection of a Memorial to Sir Sheshadri Iyer and emphasized the view that "the deeds and services of great men should be honoured by public commemoration in the places where they served, not merely as a posthumous compliment to themselves but as an example and stimulus to others." He thought that "Sir Sheshadri Iyer belonged to that class of great native statesmen, whom the system and opportunities of Native States sometimes bring to the front and who, in circumstances such as those that prevailed during his time in Mysore, find the occasion for conferring enduring benefits upon the State they serve." In bearing eloquent testimony to Sir Sheshadri Iyer's rare ability, breadth of view, and far-seeing statesmanship, Sir Donald Robertson, K.C.S.I., the then British Resident, observed that "they had only to look round in Mysore to see evidence on all sides of his masterful powers of administration."

3. Indeed, the career of the great man, whose regime was fruitful of the happiest results to the people of Mysore and whose memory we are honouring here to-day, was scarcely paralleled in the annals of Modern India. After a service of 32 years, 18 of which were spent in the responsible office of Dewan, Sir Sheshadri Iyer retired on the 18th of March 1901. In bidding him farewell, Her Highness the Maharani Regent, C.I., placed on record "her high appreciation of the invaluable services rendered by this distinguished Statesman," and observed that "his vigorous personality had impressed itself on all the important departments of the State and that the many reforms which have brought the Mysore administration up to a high level of efficiency are attributable in great part to his talents, forethought and resourcefulness." Sir Sheshadri Iyer did not, unfortunately, live long to enjoy his well-earned rest, for he passed away within a few months of his retirement to the great grief of all who had fondly hoped he had before him a long lease of leisured life with perfect quiet and serene happiness.

4. This movement, started under distinguished auspices, was enthusiastically taken up by the public and liberal subscriptions flowed in, not only from the people of Mysore but also from a large number of Princes, eminent Statesmen and leaders of Society, both in India and in England, all of whom had nothing but the utmost admiration for the great man and the warmest praise for the proposed Memorial.

5. Our respectful acknowledgments are due to our beloved Maharaja, who by his warm interest and ready sympathy, has in no small measure contributed to the success of the movement. Thanks to a munificent donation from His Highness, a generous grant from His Highness' Government and liberal subscriptions from an appreciative public, the Memorial has now become an accomplished fact. A spacious Hall has been completed and a Statue erected in front of it. A suitable library will, it is hoped, soon materialize.

6. It only remains for us now to beg Your Excellency to unveil the Statue of the great Statesman to whose abilities and labours is largely due the flourishing condition in which we find Mysore to-day.

With sentiments of profound respect and devotion,

We beg to subscribe ourselves,

Your Excellency's most obedient servants,

The Executive Committee of the Sir Sheshadri Iyer Memorial Fund consists of:—

PRESIDENT.

MR. V. P. MADHAVA RAO, C.I.E.,
Retired Dewan of Mysore.

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1. MR. M. VISVESVARAYA, C.I.E.,
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Retired Muzrai Superintendent.

10. THE HON'BLE KHAN BAHADUR HAJI ISMAIL SAIT,
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11. MR. E. R. SUBROYER,
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12. MR. G. H. KRUMBIEGEL,
Superintendent, Botanical Gardens.

13. MUNIR-UL-TALIM MR. H. J. BHABHA,
Retired Inspector-General of Education.

14. MR. V. H. KARVE,
Retired Superintending Engineer.

15. MR. C. SREEKANTESWARA IYER,
Inspector-General of Police.

16. MR. K. KRISHNA IYENGAR,
Deputy Chief Engineer and Under-Secretary, P. W. D.

Unveiling Ceremony

20 · 11 · 1913

His Excellency Lord Hardinge's reply to the address presented by Mr. V. P. Madhava Rao C.I.E, on behalf of the Executive Committee of the Sir K. Seshadri Iyer Memorial Fund.—

"Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen,—

It gives me very great pleasure to assist at this ceremony, to Commemorate the name of the late Sir K. Seshadri Iyer, who for so many years held the high office of Dewan of Mysore. I had not the privilege of his personal acquaintance, but that he was a man of ~~noble~~ notable qualities and strong character is testified by the records of his labours during the long period he was associated with the administration of this State. For his work is writ large on every page of Mysore history of that time. It is sometimes said that the Pax Britannica has taken all the romance out of Indian life, and it is true that the old opportunities of carving with the Sword a way to fortune and glory are gone, I hope, never to return. But when I think of the distinguished Indian who is my Colleague and the Indian members of other Councils, both in India and at Home, not to speak of the many eminent men who are at the head of various professions and industries, I doubt whether there is very much truth in the saying I have quoted. Sir Seshadri himself rose from the very lowest rungs of the official ladder and after he had climbed it step by step, his outstanding merit marked him out for the office of

Dewan, and, that a time when the task was not an easy one, for the country had not yet begun to recover from the severest famine of the last half century. Yet with the support and under the wise guidance of His Highness the late Maharaja, Sri Chamarajendra Wodiar Bahadur, he was able to achieve much that reflects credit on Indian Statesmanship. The revenues of the Country, which stood at Rs: 100 lakhs when he took charge, had reached the high figure of Rs: 180 lakhs when he laid down office; agriculture and trade flourished, and every department of the State felt the guiding hand of the Chief minister. Large public works, designed to protect the country against the effects of famine, were undertaken, and many parts of the Country were opened out by roads and Communications. The educational opportunities of the people were enlarged and the facilities for medical relief multiplied, while the two capital cities of Bangalore and Mysore owe much to Sir Seshadri Iyer, for the part he played in bringing into existence the excellent Systems of water supply which they now enjoy.

But the most remarkable achievement of all was his conception and execution, with the Skilled assistance of major Joly de Lotbiniere, of the Cauvery Power Installation scheme, which, besides bringing in handsome revenues to the State coffers is contributing materially to its industrial development. It is gratifying to me to learn that His Highness's Government have further developed, and are still developing, the scheme initiated by him and I have every hope that the results will be of ever increasing value for the promotion of the material wealth and prosperity of the country. Sir Seshadri Iyer has thus left a record behind him

Rajah Sir Dinkar Rao, of Gwalior, and Sir T. Madhavah of Indore and Baroda. As a member of that group of Indian Statesmen, whose fame has spread far beyond the borders where they laboured so faithfully and so well and whose names will remain as a lasting example to their Successors.

I am proud to have the privilege of unveiling the Statue of such a man as this, and it only remains for me to Congratulate the Memorial Committee on the Conclusion of their labours, and to express the hope that this Statue may long serve to bring to the minds of future generations the memory of a great Indian Statesman."

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25/5/19.

Return papers immediately VVO 27/5

Dear Mr Balasundram Esq.

Herewith a signed letter which I find on my table. Which by an oversight was not sent with the cover I sent you to the Office on Saturday last. Sorry for the omission which please excuse.

Yours Sincerely

C Sreenivasagam

Sir Sheshdri Iyer Memorial Hall,

Bangalore, Dated the 23rd May 1919

From

Rajamantra Pravina, Dewan Bahadur

C. Sreenivasiengar Esq.,

Honorary Secretary,

Sir Sheshdri Iyer Memorial Committee,

B a n g a l o r e.

To

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The favour of early disposal is requested.

I have the honour to be,
S i r,
Your most obedient servant,

C. Sreenivasiengar

Honorary Secretary.

G. R. S. VI—G/32]

SUBJECT..... Acknowledge the receipt of the information furnished.....

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Diary No. of letter replied to... 20458 & 20586

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Date of issue..... 30:5:19.....

Signed by..... Jr. M.V. Iyengar

Section Gen

File No. 204-17

Serial No. ~~7~~

No. G26953.

To

The Hony: Secretary,
Sri Sheshadri Iyer Memorial
Committee.
Bangalore

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge with thanks the ~~information~~ receipt of ~~forwarded with~~ your letter of the 23rd May 1919 with enclosures

I have etc

M.V.I.
for Chief Secretary

27/5 30/5/19

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G. R. S. VI—G/32]

SUBJECT..... Transfer of the Sir K S Iyer Memorial Committee to certain trustees. Conditions for the transfer of the properties and funds to Government Control.....

Diary No. of letter replied to.....

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT,
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, *the* 191 .

Date of issue..... 22/9 .....

Signed by..... Mr Dcg .....

Section G. &c.
File No. 209-17
Serial No. 7

No. G 2411 2 one

To

The Hon'ble Secy, Sir K S Iyer Memorial Committee
Bangalore.

Sir,

Adverting to correspondence ending with your Communication of the 23rd May 1919, in respect of the transfer, under certain Conditions, of the management of the properties Connected with the Sir K S Iyer ~~me~~ memorial together with the Surplus funds to Govt Control, I am directed to state that Govt after fully Consider

over.

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all aspects of the question observe that the transfer in order that it may be on a sound legal basis has to be effected as in the case of a Charitable endowment under Section 3 of the Mysore Inam Regulation (No. V of 1913) Copy of which is sent enclosed for ready reference.

2. The only difficulty in the way of Govt accepting the transfer as above is the presence; as one of the terms of the offer; of the condition that a private body like the Bangalore club which cannot be regarded as an institution for the advancement of objects of public utility should be allowed to continue to tenant the building on a monthly rental even after the transfer and until it should be in a position to secure a separate suitable habitation of its own. Moreover; all the space available in the building would be required for the Library if the improvements thereto under contemplation of Govt & the intentions of the Inam Committee as to adding books on History, Economics & Politics are to be fully carried out. I am therefore directed to request you to be so good as to ascertain the wishes of the Memorial Committee with regard to waiving the condition in respect of the Bangalore Club

List of enclosure

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

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and ~~request the favour of an early~~
possible
~~reply~~ as the question has been long
pending. If there are any documents
relating to the renting of a portion
of the building to the Bangalore Club
these may ~~also~~ be kindly trans-
mitted along with your reply.

3. The other Conditions which
are not inconsistent with the
Charitable purpose of the endow
ment will hold good & Govt will
proceed to take action under Sec 17
of the Inamdar Regulation immedi-
ately on receipt of your reply

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Chief Secretary

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GPB—12,000—15-2-13.

Sir Sheshadri Iyer Memorial Hall.

Dated Bangalore the 24th July 20.

From

The Honorary Secretary,

Sir Sheshadri Iyer Memorial Fund, Bangalore.

CHIEF SECRETARIAT. IV MINOR Depts. 26 JUL 1920

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To

IARY NO.....

The Chief Secretary

to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja

of Mysore, Bangalore.

SECTION FILE NO. GM 209-17 REF NO. 8

S i r,

With reference to your letter No. G.24112/G. M.209-17-7 dated the 24th April 1920 and subsequent reminders re- the transfer to the Government of the properties connected with the Sir Sheshadr Iyer Memorial, I have the honor to state that the observations of Government have received the careful consideration of the Memorial Committee with the result that on the only point of difference between the Government and the Committee a conclusion has been reached which it is hoped will in every way be found satisfactory.

2. A copy of the Committee's Resolutions is herewith submitted fo the perusal of Government. Resolution No. 1 deals with the question of the continued occupation of a portion of the hall by the Bangalore Club. Agreeing with the Government, the Committee have re solved that the Club should be called upon to vacate the buildings on or before the 30th September 1920. Resolution No. 2 deals with the surplus at the credit of the Fund including the arrears of ren due by Government from the 1st June 1917 to 30th September 1920, which surplus will enable certain necessary outhouses being built sides leaving enough for investment on a section in Sir Sheshadri Iyer's name consisting of books on History, Economics and Politics to be added on to the Public Library of which it will constitute a part under precisely the same management. The 3rd or last Resolution makes a suggestion in regard to the composition of the future Committee in case Government should decide upon having one after

the transfer of the Memorial properties to itself.

3. The accompanying copy of D. O. letter No.A.1001 dated the 10th May 1920 from the Office of the Inspector General of Education with my reply thereto dated the 21st idem will I trust contai all the information required in regard to the lease of a portion of the Hall to the Bangalore Club.

4. The Committee and the Government being thus in perfect unison in regard to every one of the conditions under which the contemplated transfer is to be effected (vide para 3 of your letter under acknowledgment) I beg respectfully to request that orders in accordance therewith and dealing also with the othe points dealt with by the Committee's Resolutions, be kindly passed at the earliest convenience of Government.

I have the honor to be,

S i r,

Your most obedient servant,

C Sreenivasaiyar

Honorary Secretary.

Copy of the Resolutions passed by the Committee of Sir Sheshadri Iyer Memorial Fund.

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1. The papers relating to the lease of a portion of the Memorial Hall to the Bangalore Club clearly show that the Club is only a tenant-at-will & that as such it is liable to be called upon to vacate it at the expiry of the usual short notice. From the correspondence between the Committee & the Government, it is evident that the further indefinite occupation of a portion of the building by the Club cannot be permitted in-as-much-as, apart from other considerations, the entire building is now required by the Public Library, which as it is, is cramped for space and which is not only going to be shortly substantially improved by Government but is also to be added, by an investment of the bulk of the balance at the credit of the Memorial Fund, in a Section in Sir Sheshadri Iyer's name consisting of books on History, Economics & Politics. In these circumstances, additional accommodation has become indispensable, thus necessitating the issue of a notice to the Club asking that the portion in its occupation be vacated in reasonable time. Regard being had to the fact that the Club has been located in this building for nearly 13 years, that the call to vacate it now comes upon it rather unexpectedly and that it would naturally take it some little time to secure for itself some other suitable habitation, the Committee resolve that a requisition be sent at once to that institution stating that the building should be vacated by it not later than at the end of 3 months from now, that is, not later than the 30th September 1920.

2. The Government be moved to kindly arrange for the early payment to the credit of the Memorial Fund of the unpaid balance of the rent of the Hall which has fallen heavily into arrears owing presumably to the question of the future management of the Memorial property being under correspondence. This with the surplus on hand will be spent partly on the construction of certain outhouses which in the opinion both of the Memorial Committee & of the Library Committee are a much felt want, and chiefly on the addition of a Section

to the Library in Sir Sheshadri Iyer's name in the manner already proposed by the Memorial Committee and approved by Government.

3. If, after transfer of the Memorial Hall &c., to Government the appointment of a Committee of Management should in the opinion of Government be necessary, effect may, if possible, be kindly given by Government to the modified proposal contained in the Chief Secretary's letter No. G.1658/G.M.209-17-1 dated the 7th August 1917 and agreed to by the Committee in their Resolution forwarded to that officer with reply dated the 6th September 1917

C Sreenivasiengar

Hon. Secretary.

Sir Sheshadri Iyer Memorial Fund.

Copy of D. O. letter No. A. 1001 dated the 10th May 20 from the Office of the Inspector General of Education in Mysore to the Hon. Secretary, Sir K. Sheshadri Iyer Memorial Hall Committee,

B a n g a l o r e.

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" Regarding the payment of arrears of rent to Sir K. Sheshadri Iyer Memorial Hall where the Education Library and Museum are located I shall be much obliged if you will kindly enlighten me on the following points, as Government have called for further information on the subject. "

1. "When, by whom, and for what purpose was the building 1st taken up for rent?
2. Was the entire building taken up for the Education Library & Museum?
3. What was the rent fixed?
4. What is the rent paid by the Public Library, & the No. & date of the Govt. Order sanctioning same?
5. The No. & date of the Govt. Order if any, sanctioning the occupation of a portion by the Bangalore Club at a monthly rent of Rs. 50/-.

An early reply ~~will oblige~~ is requested."

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Reply to the above.

" Allow me to return in juxta position the following answers to the several questions asked in your Personal Assistant's D. O. letter No. A. 1001 dated the 10th May 20 & reproduced below:-

Questions.	Answers.
1. When, by whom, and for what purpose, was the building 1st taken up for rent?	From 15th September 1909, by Government, for locating the Sloyd classes and Educational Museum.

Questions.	Answers.
2. Was the entire building taken up for the Education Library & Museum?	Yes for the Sloyd classes & the Educational Museum.
3. What was the rent fixed?	Rs. 250/- per mensem.
4. What is the rent paid by the Public Library, and the No. & date of the Govt. Order sanctioning same?	The Memorial Committee has no information on the subject which is naturally one that does not affect it in any way. On the 20th April 1914 the Memorial Committee agreed to the proposal of the Education Sub Committee of the Economic Conference that the Central Library for Bangalore together with the office &c., connected therewith be located in the Sheshadri Iyer Memorial Hall. How the rent payable by Govt. was to be apportioned between the Museum & the Library is a matter peculiarly wit in the knowledge of Government, the Education Department & the Economic Conference.
5. The No. & date of the Govt. Order if any, sanctioning the occupation of a portion by the Bangalore Club at a monthly rent of Rs.50/-	Govt. Order No.6448-50/ Edn.45-09 dated the 20th January 1910, para 2 of which says " from the

the Honorary Secretary's letter it is understood that the two side rooms of the Memorial Hall are now occupied by the Bangalore Club. The Club may be requested to vacate these rooms within 3 months & until the portion is vacated the amount of rent payable by the Club for this period will be credited to Govt.

2. For a short time the Memorial Committee levied the rent at Rs.50/- a month due by the Club & remitted it to the Inspector General of Education at his request. Please see the latter's letters Nos. 706-7/110 dated the 10th July 1910 & 1393/213 dated the 3rd August 1910 and 2394/342 dated the 27th August 1910, The Order of Government No.9702/Edn45-09-7 dated the 27th April 1910 may probably throw some further light on the subject. After the above collections & remittances, the Club seems to have attorned to the Inspector General of Education to whom it is understood to have since been remitting the rent direct.

3. The Sloyd classes having ceased to exist & the Club having vacated one at least of the side rooms, the Library has since 1914 been sharing the accommodation available with the Education Museum which is put away in a small corner of the Hall. The use of the building for the Library having rendered the indefinite continuance of the lease necessary, the Government through the Inspector General of Education continued to pay the prescribed rent (Rs.3000/- a year) year after year for several years subsequent to the termination of 5 years from 1909, the last such payment having been made for the 12 months ending 31st May 1917. The rent due for the next three years remains unpaid in spite of repeated reminders, the reason probably being that the question of the future management of the Trust has been under consideration & correspondence since 1917 (Vide the then Inspector General Mr. M. Shama Rao's D. O. to me No. 969 dated the 10th January 1917.) It may be noted that the last payment of rent (i. e. the one for the year ending 31st May 1917) was nevertheless paid to the Committee by the Mysore Bank at the Inspector General's instance at a somewhat later date , namely in January 1918.

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C Rellimasingh

Hon Secretary.

4 Sir Sheshadri Iyer Memorial Fund, Bangalore

SUBJECT..... Accepting the transfer to Govt control of the Sir T. Sheshadri Iyer Memorial Fund.....

Diary No. of letter replied to.....1528.....

Section G. A.

File No. 209/17

Serial No. 9

General and Revenue Secretariat

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Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

Date of issue..... 8/9/17

Signed by..... M. V. C.

Read—

Correspondence ending with D. letter No. A.A. of 24th July 20 from the Hon'ble Secretary, Sir K. Seshadri Iyer Memorial Fund Committee transferring the final offer of the Memorial Committee to transfer to Govt management the memorial fund & property (Hall) under Sec 3 (3) of the Mysore Endowment Regulations.

May this be

i Printed ?

ii treated as a standing order ?

ii published in the Gazette, English Part ?

iv translated ?

v placed at the disposal of the press ?

vi published in the Gazette Kannada Part ?

~~Order thereon &c.~~

on the demise of the late
Rajya Dhurandhara Sir K. Shashadri Iyer K.C.I.E.
an influential Committee was formed
on 17th Sept.r 02. to Concert measures
for perpetuating ~~the~~ the memory ~~of that~~
~~remarkable statesman~~ in a fitting
manner. In pursuance of the
resolution passed at a public meeting
called for the purpose in Augt 03, funds
were collected & a Memorial Hall was
Constructed in the Cubbon Park at Bangalore.
& a statue of Sir K. Shashadri Iyer was also
erected in front of the Hall. The unveiling
of the Statue by H.E. Lord Hardinge, late Viceroy
of India, on the 20th Nov.r 13 marked the practical
Conclusion of the labours of the Committee
who had only to arrange for the
location of a suitable library in the
Memorial Hall.

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2 When Govt who had vested
the Hall in connection with the
Sloyd classes & the Educational

of the Committee, the Bangalore Public Library in the Hall, the Committee deemed their work ~~over~~ completed & ~~directed~~ offered to close their operations by transferring the management of the Hall & the fund (balance) to Govt or to a trust board.

3. After a discussion of all aspects of the question, it was ~~thought~~ decided that the transfer, in order that it ~~may~~ might be on a ~~sound~~ proper legal basis ~~was to be~~ should be effected as in the case of a charitable endowment under Sec 3 of the Mysore Religious Regln. & the Committee have agreed to effect such a transfer under the following conditions:

(a) The Memorial Hall to be always used for public purposes & the Bangalore Public Library to continue to be permanently housed therein with the consent of Govt.

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about Rs. 12000/- to be handed over
to Govt for being utilised, alongwith
the ~~rent~~ arrears of rent from 1st July 17
to 30th Sept: 20 due from Govt at
Rs 250/- per mensem, partly on the
Construction of Certain necessary
out-houses & Chiefly on the addition
to the Public Library of a Section
in Sir K. S. Iyer's name Consisting
of books on History, Economics & Politics,
this latter being one of the Chief forms
the memorial was intended to take.

(c) The Bangalore club which is
located in the building to vacate
as per notice issued to them by
about the 30th Sept: 20.

(d). The future management
& Control of the property to vest
in Govt if they should Commend
itself to them & in Case Govt should
decide upon appointing a fresh
Committee of management
Such Committee to be Composed.

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the existing Committee & three others by Govt.

(e) The existing Committee to be functus officio from the date from which effect is given to the above arrangement

(1st Oct. 20)

4. The Govt of H.H. the Maharaja accept the offer of transfer on the terms proposed & are pleased to take over management of the fund & property relating to the Seshadri Memorial Hall, Mudy

See 3 of the Mysore Municipal Regn. Manual.

5. Separate orders will issue regarding other details consequential on the above transfer.

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8/10/20 Chief Secretary

To The Comptroller
The Chief Engineer
The Secretary E & A.
The Hon'y. Secretary,
Sir K.S. Iyer Memorial Committee

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